



PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 2481.1337-04

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Mathias GEHRMANN et al.) Group Art Unit: 1644
Application No.: 08/989,896) Examiner: D. Saunders
Filed: December 12, 1997)
For: *Fusion Proteins for Prodrug*)
Activation)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a two month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of December 3, 2003. A fee of \$420.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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